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1. POSSIBLE INDIAN OCEAN MARITIME SATELLITE WAS DISCUSSED AUGUST 25 WITH AMBASSADOR JAENICKE. HE IS WELL AWARE THAT THERE IS NO USG COMMITMENT TO LEAVE DEVELOPMENT OF INDIAN OCEAN SATELLITE TO EUROPEANS. WHAT THERE WAS, HE SAID, WAS AN INFORMAL UNDERSTANDING WITH RAY WALDMANN THAT THE U.S. WOULD WORK TO GET A "SATISFACTORY" PROCUREMENT CLAUSE IN THE INMARSAT AGREEMENT. THE CLAUSE THE FRG SOUGHT WAS ADOPTED AND PROVIDED ONLY THAT, IN EVENT OF BIDS EQUAL IN PRICE, DELIVERY TIME AND QUALITY, REGIONAL FACTOR WOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. HIS REMARKS ON US NAVY SATELLITE REPORTED REF B WERE ONLY EXPRESSION OF CONCERN AND NOT A PROTEST.

2. JAENICKE DID HAVE IMPRESSION FROM HIS CONVERSATION WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICER IN LONDON THAT NAVY PROJECT MUCH FURTHER ALONG AND WAS GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION
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THAT IT WAS ONLY IN PRELIMINARY STAGE. HE ESTIMATED

THAT EVEN IF IT WENT AHEAD IT WOULD BE AT LEAST TWO
YEARS BEHIND THE MAROTS PROJECT AND THUS NOT A SERIOUS
COMPETITOR.
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